

⇒ Divergence

The divergence of a vector point f^n \vec{F} denoted by $\text{div } \vec{F}$ or

$\nabla \cdot \vec{F}$ and is defined as,

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = \left(\hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot \vec{F}$$

where \vec{F} is vector point f^n .

* Solenoidal Function.

A vector point f^n is said to be solenoidal if $\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = 0$

For such a vector, there is no loss or gain of fluid.

⇒ Curl

The curl of a vector point f^n \vec{F} is denoted by $\text{curl } \vec{F}$ or $\nabla \times \vec{F}$ and

is defined by $\nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix}$

where $\vec{F} = (F_1 \hat{i} + F_2 \hat{j} + F_3 \hat{k})$ { Here F_1, F_2, F_3 are components of \vec{F} }

* Irrotational Field.

A vector point f^n \vec{F} is said to be irrotational if $\text{curl } \vec{F} = 0$

Note ① $\nabla \times \nabla \phi = 0$ { where ϕ is any scalar point f^n . }

② difference betⁿ scalar and vector point f^n .

Consider the f^n . $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + yz$ and $F(x, y, z) = x^2 \hat{i} + yz \hat{k}$

Here $f(x, y, z)$ is scalar point f^n as it gives us a value value
and $F(x, y, z)$ is vector point f^n . " " " " " vector

Q.1 If $\vec{A} = x^2z \hat{i} - 2y^3z^2 \hat{j} + xy^2z \hat{k}$, find $\nabla \cdot \vec{A}$ and $\text{curl } \vec{A}$ at the point $(1, -1, 1)$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right) \cdot (x^2z \hat{i} - 2y^3z^2 \hat{j} + xy^2z \hat{k})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = (2xz - 6y^2z^2 + xy^2z)$$

Now
 $(\nabla \cdot \vec{A})_{(1, -1, 1)} = 2 - 6 + 1 = \underline{\underline{-3}}$

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Now $\nabla \times \vec{A} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ x^2z & -2y^3z^2 & xy^2z \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \hat{i} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y} xy^2z - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (-2y^3z^2) \right) - \hat{j} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} xy^2z - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} x^2z \right) + \hat{k} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-2y^3z^2) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} x^2z \right)$$

$$= \hat{i} (2xyz + 4y^3z) - \hat{j} (y^2z - x^2) + \hat{k} (-2xz)$$

Now
 $(\nabla \times \vec{A})_{(1, -1, 1)} = \hat{i} (-2 + 4(-1)^3(1)) - \hat{j} (0 - 1) + \hat{k} (-2)$
 $= \underline{\underline{-6\hat{i}}}$

Q.2 Show that $\vec{A} = 3y^4z^2 \hat{i} + 4x^3z^2 \hat{j} - 3x^2y^2 \hat{k}$ is solenoidal.

Q.3 Determine the constant b such that $\vec{A} = (bx + 4y^2z) \hat{i} + (x^3 \sin z - 3y) \hat{j} - (e^x + 4 \cos x^2y) \hat{k}$ is solenoidal. (Ans $b = 3$)

Q.4 Determine the constants a and b such that curl of $(2xy + 3yz) \hat{i} + (x^2 + axz - 4z^2) \hat{j} + (3xy + 2byz) \hat{k}$ is zero. (Ans $3, -4$)

Q.5 Show that $\vec{F} = (y^2 - z^2 + 3yz - 2x) \hat{i} + (3xz + 2xy) \hat{j} + (3xy - 2xz + 2z) \hat{k}$ is both solenoidal and irrotational.